

## Beginning of Return to Democracy and Wilsonian Leadership

**Democratic Victory in Election November 7 Has Proved Tonic Needed to Enable Him to Lead Party. Crowd That Heard Speech Electrified. Former President, Almost Himself Again, Showed Old Fire of Fight for Principles.**

(Special Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—The great Democratic victory of Tuesday of last week, accurately forecasted by Chairman Cordell Hull of the Democratic National Committee, marks the beginning of the return of the people to the Democratic party and the restoration of that party to complete power in 1924. It is more than a protest against Republican incompetency and failure. It is a repudiation of the major policies which the present reactionary Republican Congress and administration—the most reactionary in history—have advocated and foisted upon the people. It is a repudiation of tariff-robbery, of tax-shifting and tax-juggling, of Newberryism, Daughertyism and Laskerism, of reckless appropriation and extravagant expenditure, of the alliance between the reactionary leaders of the Republican party and special privilege, the destruction of the civil service, and of the re-enthronement of the spoil system in government departments.

In many of its features the election was a personal rebuke to President Harding himself. The Republican candidate for Governor of Ohio, who is supposed to have won his nomination by reason of being and administration favorite, was defeated; Senator Frelinghuysen of New Jersey, the President's fellow-vacationer and boon companion, was emphatically and decisively squelched; Newberry, who obtained a certificate of character from Pres-

WASHINGTON, Nov. 13.—Woodrow Wilson, his health permitting—and it's getting better every day—will have a decisive influence in the selection of the Democratic nominee for the presidency in 1924.

The demonstration before the Wilson home, the first lengthy speech from the ex-President since he was stricken in the autumn of 1919, and his readiness to discuss public issues once more in letters to prominent Democrats are plainly a sequel to the election of last week.

Nothing has contributed more to the rejuvenation of Woodrow Wilson's spirit, nothing has proved so effective a tonic to his health, than the election returns which, differ as one may about their meaning, were interpreted by Mr. Wilson, at any rate, as the swinging of the pendulum back in his direction. Too exhausted to undertake again the arduous tasks of a presidential candidacy, Mr. Wilson cares far more about the vindication of the principles which he championed—and this will affect the choice of a candidate more than personal wish or favor.

He stood in the doorway of his home, just beneath the stone portico—he looked like an etching on a page of history. It was as if Jefferson or Jackson or some of the figures of a century ago had stepped forward out of the portals of another world to bring back a word of caution to a new generation.

Cheering there was—and no one can doubt its sincerity—but it was not the fanatical outburst of a political campaign crowd. It was the response of a crowd that was too awe-struck, too surprised to cheer continuously. For a moment the feeble figure with head bowed and hands clasped tightly in a supporting cane, moved a step or two and many a throat caught a lump. But a second later, with his feet firmly fixed

ident Harding prior to the trial of the Newberry case by the Senate, was repudiated wherever there were Democratic majorities; Lodge, the administration's spokesman in the Senate, has been humiliated to a degree which in some respects is worse than his defeat would have been, and a recount of the votes in Massachusetts may add to his humiliation. There were minor casualties.

President Harding had definitely committed himself to the Republican policies and candidates that were on trial. He spoke for them by the lips of his Cabinet officers. He gave every sign that he regarded the result as either approval or disapproval of the Republican administration's acts and omissions. The supreme court of the electorate has given its decision. Mr. Harding and the Republican Congress stand condemned for the future no less than for the past.

One thing lacking in the election was the failure to give the Democrats a substantial majority in the House. A small Republican majority in the House, however, is equivalent to a Democratic victory. The balance of power will be held by progressives and radicals who are as much opposed to Republican reactionism as the Democrats.

Republican reactionism has been checked but not destroyed. The work so auspiciously began November 7 will be completed in 1924.

In position, so to speak, the head was lifted, the cane was loosely hung by its crook in an upper breast pocket of the overcoat and the old Wilson smile spread its greeting over the heads of several thousands of men and women packed tightly in the narrow thoroughfare.

There was conspicuous contrast between the tottering man whose limbs have paid the penalty of a nervous breakdown, and the stationary figure who, with old-time gesture, with sharp enunciation and the same rapidity of extemporaneous speech which distinguished his earlier career on the stump, was able in a few minutes to make his audience forget that he was an invalid and make them think only of the doctrines he was again championing.

The same characteristic emphasis of facial expression, the same easy moving of the speaker's eyes from one end of the crowd to the other, the same smiling quips as he asked permission to put on his hat, with a promise that if he did so he wouldn't "speak through it"—all this was convincing evidence to the crowd that Woodrow Wilson was coming back in health, was almost himself again.

Here and there in the crowd were prominent Democrats, men influential in the councils of the party—Cordell Hull, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, was there, and a few members of the Senate and House. The effect upon them was electric. Stimulated by the results of last Tuesday's election most of them feel they have a rallying point once more in the man who led the party for eight turbulent years. Theodore Roosevelt's popularity was at a low point when he left the presidency, but gradually it rose, until the tide of 1912, four years after he left the White House,

### METHODIST CHURCH.

Sunday School 10 a. m.  
The young married women's Bible class began Sunday. Let all young, mature women avail themselves of this opportunity to study the Bible together for mutual profit under the leadership of a competent and informed, cultured woman.

The business men's Bible class had a very interesting session Sunday, with the largest attendance yet had.

The subject for Sunday's lesson is full of meat. Let all members of this class be present.

Sunday at worship hour, 11 a. m., Mr. Culbertson will speak on the topic, "The Right Attitude to Hold Toward Sin and the Sinner." Better hear this.

The League will have for its topic at 6:45 p. m. "Song and Praise," and Scott Wallis will be the leader.

All men over 21 are invited to be present Sunday evening and bring an own son from 12 to 21 years, or somebody's son. Rev. Culbertson will have for his theme "The Strength of the House." This is the subject that will be used at the same time in thousands of pulpits of our land. Times like these call for strong men, men of purpose and a will.

—Beautiful pearl bead necklaces, at Turnbaugh's Jewelry Store, Caruthersville. 1-2

saw it at unprecedented heights.

The value of a leader with the prestige and influence of Mr. Wilson may not be considered important from the Republican viewpoint, but when one considers the state of disorganization of the Democratic party from coast to coast and the need for harmony and a revival to party activity, the return of Mr. Wilson to more or less active counsel is tremendously significant. The Democratic party was buried in 1920 in the reaction following the war administration, and the Democratic party was largely and is largely, so far as party leaders are concerned, a Wilson organization. Only the split between the Palmer and McAdoo forces at San Francisco enabled the anti-Wilson elements from New York and Illinois and New Jersey to select another candidate who, however, quickly recognized the importance of the Wilson leadership and faithfully preached the Wilson doctrine throughout the campaign. But the Wilson strength is dominant in the party today and a coalition of the Wilson groups can easily name the next candidate.

Mr. Wilson in his letter to Senator Caraway has given first expression to his desire for leadership. He said: "We must now clear our minds and purify our hearts to offer to the country in 1924 exactly the service it most needs and the candidate who can best render that service."

Mr. Wilson's health alone has prevented his assuming the reins of leadership before this. His physicians and family thought it would be too much of a strain. But the tonic of victory which his intimates have been praying for has come at last. The tide is turning, they feel, and with it will come better days for the ex-President, who hopes to see some day a complete triumph of the principles which he believes America fought for in 1917 and 1918.

There was a touch of war-time enthusiasm as the ex-President entered his big touring car and waved his hat to the crowd. They formed a lane on either side and cheered as the motor passed triumphantly along. Bigger crowds, to be sure, there were on Champs Elysees nearly four years ago, greater demonstrations were given on the Strand and in the congested streets of Rome, but, for inspiration to a man who had suffered the reverse in health that Woodrow Wilson has, nothing could have been more stimulating than the Armistice day demonstration, the appealing plaudits of a party that has been leaderless for two years and sees the old leader able again to enter the fray.

### OFFICIAL TOTALS OF

### General Election, Pemiscot County, November 7, 1922

| For U. S. Senator                  | Tot. | Maj. | For Prosecuting Attorney     | Tot. | Maj. |
|------------------------------------|------|------|------------------------------|------|------|
| R. R. Brewster, Rep                | 2769 |      | Sam J. Jeffress, Rep         | 2591 |      |
| James A. Reed, Dem                 | 3544 | 775  | Shelley I. Stiles, Dem       | 3733 | 1142 |
| For Supt. Schools                  |      |      | For Clerk County Court       |      |      |
| Sam A. Baker, Rep                  | 2688 |      | Orle Rader, Rep              | 2543 |      |
| Charles A. Lee, Dem                | 3580 | 892  | Frank Baird, Dem             | 3808 | 1265 |
| For Judge Sup. Court, Div. 1       |      |      | For Clerk Circuit Court      |      |      |
| Conway Elders, Rep                 | 2611 |      | Q. W. Fowler, Rep            | 2473 |      |
| William T. Ragland, Dem            | 3580 | 1059 | Ernest A. Long, Dem          | 3893 | 1420 |
| For Judge Sup. Court, Div. 2       |      |      | For Collector of the Revenue |      |      |
| Edward T. Higbee, Rep              | 2649 |      | T. R. Cole, Rep              | 2443 |      |
| John T. White, Dem                 | 3668 | 1015 | A. P. (Parker) Kersey, Dem   | 3962 | 1519 |
| Francis M. Hayward, Rep            | 2649 |      | For Recorder of Deeds        |      |      |
| Robert F. Walker, Dem              | 3682 | 1053 | W. B. O'Connor, Rep          | 2436 |      |
| For Representative in Congress     |      |      | J. W. Green, Dem             | 3920 | 1484 |
| Edward D. Hays, Rep                | 2643 |      | For Judge Probate Court      |      |      |
| James F. Fulbright, Dem            | 3686 | 1243 | W. M. Collins, Rep           | 2609 |      |
| For Judge Circuit Court 38th Dist. |      |      | B. B. Sanders, Dem           | 3634 | 1025 |
| Chas. G. Shepard, Rep              | 2705 |      |                              |      |      |
| H. C. Riley, Dem                   | 3632 | 927  | For Justice of the Peace     |      |      |
| For County Representative          |      |      | Osiah B. Davis, Rep          | 136  |      |
| J. W. Carmean, Rep                 | 2751 |      | B. F. Allen, Dem             | 445  |      |
| H. E. Doerner, Dem                 | 3588 | 837  | J. A. Johnson, Rep           | 129  |      |
| For Presiding Judge County Court   |      |      | F. M. Gwin, Dem              | 440  |      |
| E. E. Watson, Rep                  | 2550 |      | J. M. Argo, Rep              | 211  |      |
| S. E. Juden, Dem                   | 3812 | 1262 | W. D. Hudgens, Dem           | 354  |      |
| For Judge County Court 1st Dist.   |      |      | For Constable Hayti Township |      |      |
| J. H. Pool, Rep                    | 976  |      | A. H. Blankenship, Rep       | 94   |      |
| F. M. Perkins, Dem                 | 1320 | 344  | S. P. Oates, Dem             | 469  |      |
| For Judge County Court 2nd Dist.   |      |      |                              |      |      |
| E. W. Shade, Rep                   | 1737 |      |                              |      |      |
| G. G. Bowen, Dem                   | 2312 | 575  |                              |      |      |

### FATHERS AND SONS.

Editor Herald:

This is "Fathers' and Sons' Week" throughout our great nation.

The object of it is to encourage fathers and sons to cultivate each other's acquaintance, to vie with one another in developing noble and useful lives.

The full program contemplates something doing each night during the week, beginning Sunday, Nov. 12, and concluding Sunday night, Nov. 19.

We are not keeping the full program in Hayti, but Wednesday evening has been used to speak on the topic "Christianity and the Boy," with illustrations of Joseph, David, The Twelve and Timothy.

I wish to commend through your paper the prayer for every boy to pray daily:

"My Father, may the world not mould me today, but may I be so strong as to help to mould the world."

I wish mature men could be brought to realize how much influence their lives are exerting over the boys of our town of ages from 12 to 21.

Men, your habits, your example, is observed and followed by the young. Especially is this true of the sons and fathers. Following you, will they be safe? Will they be clean? How and where would they spend God's holy day?

Sincerely,  
A. B. CULBERTSON.

### NOTICE!

We want pecans and fur. Highest prices paid. Sanders Bros., Hayti, Mo. 51-1f

### JUDGE HULL.

Friends of Cordell Hull throughout the country view his re-election to Congress from the Fourth Tennessee district with satisfaction. Aside from the political significance of the election, his return to Congress means that the country at large will have the benefit of an extraordinarily able man whose specialty is taxation. Judge Hull is the author of the income tax law, and taxation will be a vital subject for several years to come. The country will profit by having men of his type in Congress.—Memphis Scimitar.

### The Weekly Press a Great Factor in the Democratic Victory

A statement issued by the Democratic National Committee contains this tribute to the weekly press:

"In assessing credit for the great Democratic victory of Tuesday, November 7, it is but justice to say that there was no more important factor than the Democratic and Independent weekly press, at the same time making due acknowledgment of the public and political service rendered by the daily press, Democratic, Independent and many leading Republican papers which were in revolt against the Profiteers' Tariff and Newberryism.

"Since the Republican administration came into power, the Democratic and Independent weekly press have given to their readers the main facts concerning Congress and the administration, so interpreted that the readers obtained a meaning of the news as well as the news itself. In the most remote sections of the country the readers of the weekly papers have been kept constantly informed of the issues in the campaign. That these issues were understood is shown by the vote in rural sections of the country.

"In addition to giving their readers the high-lights of the national news, the weekly press have editorially discussed the issues of the campaign in a most convincing and effective manner. They have rendered not only a service to the Democratic party, but to the public.

"It may well be doubted if any other form of publication is so thoroughly read and so well digested as the weekly newspapers, and certainly no other publications have more sincerely at heart the welfare of their respective communities. As a rule their characteristics are a rugged honesty, high courage, clear and plain speaking, and, with few exceptions, they accurately and fairly reflect public sentiment within the radius of their circulation. The future of America will always be secure as long as the country press remains true to its record and its traditions."

### Local Acknowledgments.

Caruthersville, Mo., Nov. 11, 1922.

The Missouri Herald,  
Hayti, Missouri.

Friends York and Popham:

Now that the smoke of battle has cleared away and the official count has been promulgated, attesting the fact that Pemiscot county on November 7th registered the biggest Democratic majority in its history, may I be permitted to express my personal appreciation and thanks, as well as that of the Democratic candidates and interested Democrats generally, for the invaluable service rendered our cause by you and the other two Democratic newspapers in this county?

Without your active, untiring assistance our victory could not have been nearly so complete and overwhelming. You gave full and fair publicity to the Republican leadership and Republicanism.

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